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PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH AND CHEMICAL

DEPENDENCY PROFESSIONALS

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Wednesday, January 23, 2013 at 12:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room B, second floor of the Cannon Building

MINUTES APPROVED 02/27/2013

MEMBERS PRESENT

Lisa Ritchie, LCDP, **President**, Presiding Daniel Cooper, LPCMH, **Vice President** Ruth Banta, Public Member, **Secretary** Daniel Cherneski, LMFT Mary Davis, LCDP Robert Doyle, Public Member Dr. Gregg Drevno, Ph.D., LPCMH Dr. Tracey Frazier, Psy.D., LCDP Dr. Julius Mullen, Ed.D., LPCMH

DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT

Eileen Kelly, Deputy Attorney General Jessica Williams, Administrative Specialist II

MEMBERS ABSENT

Joan McDonough, Public Member Elisabeth Vassas. Public Member

Dr. William Northey, Ph.D., LMFT

ALSO PRESENT

Peter Iotov Wade Jones Vera Seitz, Wilcox & Fetzer

CALL TO ORDER

Ms. Ritchie called the meeting to order at 12:08 p.m.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

MHCDP Meeting Minutes - December 12, 2012

The Board reviewed the December 12, 2012 meeting minutes for approval. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to approve the minutes as written. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINSHED BUSINESS

Proposal to Deny Hearing Scheduled for Georgeanna Spagnolo (1:00 p.m.)

The Board reviewed correspondence from Ms. Spagnolo requesting her hearing be rescheduled. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to reschedule Ms. Spagnolo's proposal to deny hearing for February 27, 2013. Motion unanimously carried.

Formally Deny Applications for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity

Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to formally deny the application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity for Steven Anderson, due to Mr. Anderson not having certification from a certifying organization acceptable to the Board. Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to formally deny the application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity for Andrea Edelman, due to Ms. Edelman not having from a certifying organization acceptable to the Board. Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Northey moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to formally deny the application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity for Dona Faust, due to Ms. Faust not having from a certifying organization acceptable to the Board. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Previously Tabled Application for LPCMH Licensure by Certification

The Board reviewed the previously tabled application for LPCMH licensure by certification for Christopher Faulkner. Mr. Cooper moved, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to approve the application for licensure by certification. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Request for Reconsideration to Sit for AMFTRB Exam Pursuant to the Limited Exception Rule of 5.1.1 for Carly Miller

The Board reviewed Carly Miller's request for consideration to sit for the AMFTRB Exam under the limited exception rule of 5.1.1. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to uphold the Board's previous motion, to propose to deny the application, due to Ms. Miller not meeting the requirements of the limited exception. Ms. Miller's supervision does not meet the requirements of Board Rule 6.3.1. Motion unanimously carried.

Review Proposed Supervision Plan Submitted by Muriel Ricker for Richard Brousell

The Board reviewed the proposed supervision plan submitted by Muriel Ricker on behalf of Richard Brousell. Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Mr. Doyle to approve the supervision plan contingent upon Mr. Brousell signing, dating and resubmitting the plan to the Board office, with the plan going into effect on the date Mr. Brousell signed the plan. Motion carried with Dr. Drevno and Dr. Northey opposed.

Proposal to Deny Hearing Scheduled for Stephen Ridgway (12:30 p.m.)

At 12:46 p.m., Ms. Ritchie called the proposal to deny hearing to order for Stephen Ridgway. Verbatim testimony was taken by the court reporter. Ms. Kelly stated the reason for the hearing and had the following items marked as Board Exhibit 1 for the record: the Hearing Notice dated December 5, 2012; Mr. Ridgway's hearing request dated November 26, 2012; PTD letter dated November 15, 2012; and the application packet and supporting documents. Ms. Kelly verified with

Mr. Ridgway that he waived his right to be represented by counsel. Mr. Ridgway submitted a copy of his Pennsylvania license, which was marked as Respondent Exhibit 1. Mr. Ridgway was sworn in and presented his case to the Board and answered questions from Board members. At 12:53 p.m., the Board went off the record for deliberations. At 12:56 p.m. the Board went back on the record. At this time, Mr. Ridgway requested that his application be placed on hold until obtains certification from the NBCC. Mr. Cherneski moved, seconded by Ms. Banta, to grant Mr. Ridgway's request and to place his application on hold until verification of his certification is received. The hearing concluded at 1:00 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity – Gail Jackson

The Board reviewed Gail Jackson's application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Dr. Drevno made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to **propose to deny** the application due to Ms. Jackson not meeting the requirements for licensure reciprocity pursuant to 24 Del. C. §3034(b). Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity – Linda Roberts

The Board reviewed Linda Roberts' application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Cooper made a motion, seconded by Ms. Banta, **propose to deny** the application due to Ms. Roberts not meeting the requirements for licensure reciprocity pursuant to 24 Del. C. §3034(b). Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity – Sarah Smith

The Board reviewed Sarah Smith's application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to **propose to deny** the application due to Ms. Smith not meeting the requirements for licensure reciprocity pursuant to 24 Del. C. §3034(b). Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Reciprocity – Horace Whitfield

The Board reviewed Horace Whitfield's application for LPCMH licensure by reciprocity. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to **propose to deny** the application due to Mr. Whitfield not meeting the requirements for licensure reciprocity pursuant to 24 Del. C. §3034(b). Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Elizabeth Bowman

The Board reviewed Elizabeth Bowman's application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Dr. Mullen made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Certification – Eva Camacho

The Board reviewed Eva Camacho's application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Dr. Drevno made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mullen, to **propose to deny** the application due to Ms. Camacho not meeting the requirements of Board Rules 2.1.4 and 2.1.3. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LPCMH Licensure by Certification - Wade Jones

The Board reviewed Wade Jones' application for LPCMH licensure by certification. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of LCDP Application for Licensure by Certification – Danielle Ennis

The Board reviewed Danielle Ennis' application for LCDP licensure by certification. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Northey, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of LCDP Application for Licensure by Certification – Alesha Shaw

The Board reviewed Alesha Shaw's application for LCDP licensure by certification. Ms. Ritchie made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of LCDP Application for Licensure by Certification – Deborah Snyder

The Board reviewed Deborah Snyder's application for LCDP licensure by certification. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno, to **approve** the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LACMH Licensure – Antoinette Hemmerich

The Board reviewed Antoinette Hemmerich's application for LACMH licensure. Dr. Drevno made a motion, seconded by Dr. Mullen to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Review of Application for LACMH Licensure – Hazel Samuel

The Board reviewed Hazel Samuel's application for LACMH licensure. Dr. Drevno made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper to approve the application. Motion unanimously carried.

Consider Consent Agreement for Inez Blalock Hanson (Case 33-08-10)

The Board reviewed the consent agreement for Inez Blalock Hanson. Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski, to accept the consent agreement as written. Motion unanimously carried. An Order was circulated for board members' signatures.

Election of Officers

Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno to nominate Ms. Ritchie to serve as President for a second term. Motion unanimously carried. Ms. Ritchie accepted the nomination.

Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno to nominate Mr. Cooper to serve as Vice President for a second term. Motion unanimously carried. Mr. Cooper accepted the nomination.

Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Dr. Drevno to nominate Ms. Banta to serve as Secretary for a second term. Motion unanimously carried. Ms. Banta accepted the nomination.

Review Request for Approval of Continuing Education from M. Louise Duffy-Stevenson issued by the Institute for Advanced Psychotherapy Training and Education Inc.

Dr. Northey made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cherneski to approve the following CE Activity for M. Louise Duffy-Stevenson as noted below.

The Trauma Certificate Program: Level 1 (54 Hours)

If this course is not a live, face-to-face course, Ms. Duffy-Stevenson will still be required to obtain the required face-to-face continuing education. Motion unanimously carried.

Continuing Education Audit

The Board reviewed the documents submitted for the post-renewal continuing education audits after the meeting adjourned.

Correspondence

Review Correspondence from Peter Weaver Requesting an Extension in Order to Obtain the Required Continuing Education

The Board reviewed the correspondence submitted by Peter Weaver requesting an extension to obtain the required continuing education. Ms. Williams advised the Board that Mr. Weaver renewed his license on October 8, 2012 and was subsequently selected for the post-renewal continuing education audit. Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Cooper to deny Mr. Weaver's request for an extension due to the request not being submitted before he renewed his license and the fact that he falsely attested that he completed the continuing education requirements at the time he renewed his license. Mr. Weaver will be scheduled for a rule to show cause hearing due to being deficient in regards to his continuing education. Motion unanimously carried.

Other Business (for discussion only)

Mr. Doyle suggested that the Board draft language that will go on the application or website advising applicants who are applying by reciprocity, that NBCC certification is required.

Ms. Williams advised the Board that the response to Dr. Clawson's correspondence was sent, and to date no further communication from the NBCC has been received regarding his inquiry.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Next Meeting Date

The Board's next meeting is scheduled for February 27, 2013 at 12:00 p.m., in Conference Room A, of the Cannon Bldg., 861 Silver Lake Blvd., Dover, Delaware.

Adjournment

Mr. Cherneski made a motion, seconded by Mr. Doyle, to adjourn. Motion unanimously carried. There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jessica M. Williams

Administrative Specialist II

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